

## **Beaverton Police Department**

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## **NEWS RELEASE**



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## **Free Shredding Event**

The Beaverton Police Department will be offering an opportunity for you to safely recycle documents containing personal information on Saturday, August 11, 2012.

The event will be held at Tektronix 13975 SW Karl Braun Dr. Beaverton, Oregon from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Identity theft and fraud crimes are on the rise. The City of Beaverton wants to help you avoid becoming a victim of identity theft and fraud, by keeping your personal information away from the hands of thieves. One of the methods thieves use to steal your information is combing through recycling and garbage for sensitive information that has been thrown away.

For this reason, the Beaverton Police Department recommends and encourages citizens to use a shredder (preferably cross-cut) for sensitive documents, such as credit card statements, financial statements, pre-approved credit card offers, old IRS tax forms, bank checks, household bills, and other documents that may contain sensitive information.

Cintas Document Management will be on site with two commercial-sized shredding trucks for this event. Items no larger than staples and paper clips may be attached to the papers. Limit of three boxes per vehicle. Service will be on a first come, first served basis and limited to the capacity of the two commercial-sized shredding trucks. We apologize in advance for any inconvenience this may cause should the capacity be reached.

Participants are encouraged to donate canned food to the Oregon Food Bank at the shredding event.

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